

South Florida Water Management District

Public Meeting to Discuss Regulatory Matters

January 20, 2010 1:30 p.m.

South Florida Water Management District - B-1 Storch Room 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Executive Director, Carol Wehle at 1:34 p.m.

Ms. Wehle welcomed everyone and explained that the purpose of the meeting is to take public comment on permit applications. All applications are posted on the District's permitting web page. No decision will be made; also all policy issues will be discussed at the Governing Board Meeting where there is a standing item.

Ms. Wehle introduced Terrie Bates, Assistant Deputy Executive Director, Regulatory and Public Affairs, Rick Diaz, Director, Water Supply Division, and Bob Brown, Director, Environmental Resource Regulation who would be facilitating the meeting.

Mr. Brown reviewed some procedural items and initiated communication with Service Center Staff. Cecelia Weaver, Director, and Ed Yaun, Regulatory Division Director, Orlando Service Center noted that there were no members of the public at the Service Center. Ricardo Valera, Regulatory Division Director, Lower West Coast Service Center noted that there was 1 member of the public at the Service Center. Jane Bergstrom, Director and Don Loving, Regulatory Division Director, Martin St. Lucie Service Center noted that there were 2 members of the public present at the Service Center.

2. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Pending Final Action

No speakers on this item.

3. Public Comment on Other Pending Permit Applications

No speakers on this item.

4. Public Comment on General Regulatory Issues

No speakers on this item.

5. Public Comment on General Regulatory Issues

Application 080717-8 Orangewood Elementary

Stephen Ward – expressed concerns over a general permit modification issued in October 2009 for Orangewood Elementary.

Ricardo Valera noted that Mr. Ward's concerns have been taken seriously. District staff has evaluated the concerns expressed by Mr. Ward, but it is Mr. Valera's conclusion that the permit issued meets District criteria. Mr. Valera also acknowledged that the service center staff does have periodic meetings with the Lee County School District staff as they do with other governmental entities and applicants in general. Mr. Valera will provide Mr. Ward with Bob Brown's phone number so that they can discuss his concerns.

6. Adjourn

Ms. Wehle adjourned the meeting at 1:49 p.m.